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Two Students Named to Faculty Group on ROTC

By KEVIN DUNN

The Faculty Educational Policy Committee has appointed Steve Early and Tom Pierson to voting membership on the recently formed ad hoc committee on ROTC last Monday.

The committee was established several weeks ago to study possible alternatives to the present status of ROTC on the campus.

Dean of the College Dennis O'Brien, a member of the committee, said last week that the committee will open talks with a representative from the Army sometime this Spring. Basically, he said, the talks will be of an exploratory nature; the committee will tell the Pentagon representative what the faculty would prefer, and ROTC's status to be, and will ask him just how much of a change the Army will allow.

The Faculty passed a resolution several weeks ago stating its belief that courses taught by the Army should be denied academic credit, and that the ROTC officers should not have voting status in the faculty.

O'Brien stressed that whatever ROTC's exact relationship to the college might be, even if it is extra-curricular, that it should be "incorporated into the college. . .not just an activity around town."

O'Brien said that the presence of students on the committee will give it more validity; for example, if it is proposed to make ROTC an extracurricular course, the students can give a reasonable estimate of how much time could be devoted to the course.

Burt Knapp, Chairman of the SEPC, submitted the names of the two students to the FEPC on Monday; he said that one of the main considerations in finding candidates was to choose one student who is in ROTC and one who is not, in order to get a balanced view from the student members of the committee.

Co-ed Dorms to be Studied, 24-Hour Parietals Vetoed

Parietal Vote: Sell-Outs Compromises & Mistakes

By STEVE EARLY

NEWS ANALYSIS

The fact that all three of the student members present at the College Council meeting last week voted against 24-hour parietals probably comes as a surprise to many in the student body. This is quite understandable.

All College Council meetings are closed and restrictions are placed on press coverage. After meetings closed even to the press, such as the recent one between students and faculty on the Council, the participants tend to be somewhat hazy about exactly what was said and decided. Minutes are always published of course, but there are well-edited and few people on or off the Senate, ever bother to read them anyway.

Thus it is only when a vote is actually taken on a question like 24-hour parietals that the sell-outs, compromises, and mistakes of the Council finally become clear.

The Sell-Out

Item: On Jan. 16, the Student Senate (with only two "no" votes cast out of a total of 35) passed a motion that would have given each dormitory the right to have an "open dorm" 24 hours a day or for a shorter period if a majority of the residents so desired. Citing "insufficient knowledge," social pressure, and the possible harmful effects that a "withdrawal of guidelines" would have on a "significant" number of students, Bill Stearns, Karla Baehr, and Clara Johnson, opposed this motion when it came up for a vote in the Council. Dick Sheckman, the only student member who would have possibly defended the proposal, was absent and the vote against it was 8-0. The action of thirty-three studnts senators was dismissd as "uninformed," "superficial," and "not representative."

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Committee Forms

By STEVE EARLY

The College Council has unanimously passed a resolution creating a student-faculty committee to conduct a comprehensive study of co-ed dormitories, 24-hour parietals, and other related alternatives to current social regulations and dormitory living arrangements.

Meeting last Friday, the Council also re-affirmed "the principles of the current system of stated parietal hours" and unanimously defeated a Student Senate motion to "permit dormitories to have 24-hour parietals if they so choose."

Three of the four student members of the Council — Clara Johnson, Karla Baehr, and Senate Chairman Bill Stearns — voted against the parietal proposal which was passed January 16, in the Senate by a vote of 33 to 2, with 4 abstentions. The fourth student on the Council, Dick Sheckman, was absent from the meeting.

Other who opposed it included Dean of the College Dennis O'Brien, Dean of Men Bruce Peterson, Associate Professor of History, Nicholas Clifford, Assistant Professor of Political Science Russell Leng, and Assistant Professor of English Frederick Cabot.

Study Committee

Sponsored jointly by Stearns and O'Brien, the measure creating the study committee is the result of several weeks of Coun-

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Student Rights in Conflict

Incidents Occur In Dorms

Two incidents involving parietal regulations came to the attention of the Deans' office last week as a result of the room search for stolen furniture.

Tuesday of last week Officer Steeves and the senior student resident of the men's dormitory being searched entered a room in which a girl was visiting in violation of the parietal regulations. The violation was discovered at approximately 11:15 a. m., forty-five minutes before visiting hours begin. Steeves was informed of the violation by the senior resident who looked into the room and then reclosed the door. Steeves did not go into the room.

Steeves notified Dean Peterson of the infraction. At 2:30 that afternoon Peterson called the student involved into his office. He informed him that he could either have his case come before the student judicial board or have it handled by Peterson himself. No mention was made of the dormitory council's jurisdiction in such matters.

Peterson also asked the students several questions about what had been going on in his room that morning. Among the questions asked were whether the boy and his female guest

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Deans Peterson & Kelly Violate Dorm Disciplinary Due Process

The rights of students were violated on two separate occasions by the Deans' office last week. In the first instance a boy called into Dean of Men Bruce Peterson's office was not informed correctly of his rights and the options open to him for review of his case. The student understood from his meeting with Peterson that he had the option of either having his case considered by the Dean or else by the Council Discipline Committee. Although the students' options are stated in the above way in the Student Handbook, the subsequent passage of the Constitution of the Student Judi-

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cial System alters the options which should have been offered him considerably. The normal course of action (and the one which the student finally chose is to appear before his own Dormitory Council.) The accused student may also be tried by the Dean or by the College Discipline Committee if he so requests. In the latter case he must have the approval of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Judicial Council.

Regulations in the Student Handbook state that no form of harassment should be used by College officials and Security Officers to coerce admissions of guilt or information about the conduct of other suspect persons." Peterson alleged questioned the student in great detail about the alleged activities in his room (which were not witnessed by Peterson or anyone who had been in contact with him). The student feels that Peterson assumed an attitude of "moral indignation" and by so doing took unfair advantage of him during the questioning.

Peterson could not be contacted before the **Campus** went to press.

In the second case Dean of Women caused harassment and considerable unwarranted emotional anxiety to a female student who broke no regulation of the college whatsoever. There is no rule anywhere specifying proper ress for legal visiting hours. If Dean Kelly felt that the student was "flaunting a common standard of decency" (Student Handbook) she should have referred this charge directly to the dormitory council without intervening personally.

Dean Kelly had absolutely no right to force the student to inform her parents of the situation by threatening to take that responsibility upon herself.

When the Dormitory Council made its decision Dean Kelly had no right to further harrass and emotionally agitate the accused student.

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Senate Considers BOG

The Student Senate passed a resolution Monday calling for a statement on BOG finances, past and projected, to be delivered by March seventh. The resolution came specifically in reaction to a **Campus** article that called for an investigation of BOG, and also to a suggestion previously made by Chairman Stearns. In other action, the Senate defeated a move to reform the Senate. Under the terms proposed, the committee would set up elections which would produce a Senate one-half its present size.

Dorm Councils, as supervised by the house senators, will hold an election by secret ballot to draw up "social regulations" for the second semester. A two-thirds vote by house members will constitute approval. The Senate defeated a motion to call attention to its role as voice of the student body.

The investigation into BOG finances came after an article in the **Campus** questioned alleged extravagant expenditures by the Board, as Leonard Fricke who introduced the bill noted.

The Senate defeated the regrouping of itself partially because of concern that the present momentum of the Senate would be lost, and because they questioned the justification of a smaller Senate.

The Senate will mimeograph relevant rules concerning student rights and the judicial procedure, to be distributed to the student body. It is making preparations to consider constitutions of various student organizations. Upon approval, the organizations in question will be eligible for appropriations from the Senates $6,000 annual budget.

A resolution was passed calling for a booksale, similar to that held at the beginning of the year by BOG, but open for any books at all that students wish to sell.

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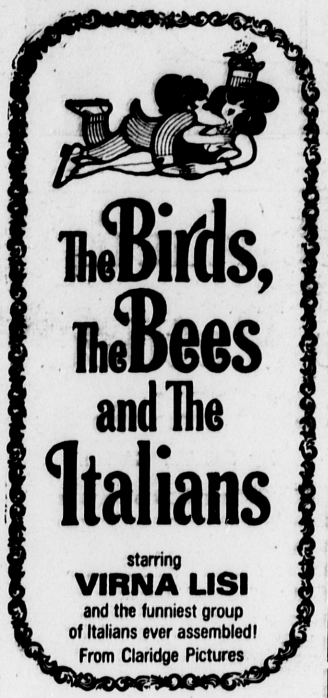
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French Faculty

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been informed more honestly about a matter of such crucial importance to them. The future of the Chateau as an institution that is perhaps unique in the United States is also clearly being called into question. The entire tenor of an education in French at Middlebury is obviously about to change. These are matters in which a number of students are intimately involved. Yet not only has it been proven in past cases that student opinion counts for nothing in matters of faculty appointments; we are not even being informed about matters which can reasonably be said to affect our lives and education at Middlebury.

There is obviously a fundamental lack of communication between administration and students that is creating problems here. This situation is unfortunate in a large university and seems unnecessary in an institution the size of Middlebury. I think that at least part of the problem exists because the administration is underestimating the student body. Granted that students here are not in general of that specie which most readily heads for the barricade, it is still not entirely fair to accuse us of caring about nothing but social rules when we are not even to be informed of decisions in those areas which really concern us academically. Some practical action towards a real dialogue of this sort is perhaps the greatest contribution that could be made at this point towards the kind of college that Middlebury could and should be.

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cil discussion concerning the Senate parietal proposal.

The Council first considered the proposal at a closed session attended only by the four students and three faculty members. At later meetings, O'Brien, Peterson, Dean of Women Elizabeth Kelly, and Assistant Dean of Women Erika Wonnacott entered the discussion and on Feb. 14, the entire Council heard testimony from College Physician, Dr. George Parton to the effect that 24 - hour parietals could be harmful to the "health and stability" of many students.

Dr. Parton spoke as a representative of a group of college staff members (including Chaplain Charles Scott, Activities Coordinator Lynn Hinman and Placement Director Gordon Perine) who were seriously concerned about the possibility of having a 24-hour parietal or "open dorm" arrangement.

Suggested among the alternatives to an outright grant of 24-hour privileges was a plan that called for the establishment of an autonomous co-ed dormitory open only to upperclassmen with parental permission. Deciding that at the present time it "had considerable reservations" about 24-hour parietals and a lack of sufficient information on co-educational living, the Council rejected the Senate proposal and formed the committee, which will make a report on "the 'co-ed dormitory plan' and related matters."

The committee will be composed of Dean Wonnacott, Dr. Parton, Mr. Leng, English Instructor Dale Deletis and four students to be appointed by Senate Chairman Stearns and Karla Baehr.

It will conduct personal interviews, a poll of students, and a survey of parental opinion on social regulations. It will consult the college physician and psychiatrist, and various members of the Undergraduate Life Committee of the Board of Trustees.

When finished, the group will make 'recommendations for reasonable supervision of dorm life, which guard both the individual student's right to privacy and the general needs of dormitory residents."

In accordance with its reaffirmation of the present parietal system, "no matter how imperfect," the Council directed that second semester parietal hours in each dorm be voted on by strictly enforced secret ballots.

(At Monday night's Student Senate meeting, Stearns ordered that this vote be held by each dorm council within the next week.)

The College Council also took a step toward stricter enforcement of the present social rules by arranging more frequent meetings between the dorm councils and the deans — presumably to discuss disciplinary matters. The council further stated that:

"The lack of clear and consistent supervisory machinery, particularly in a few of the men's dormitories, has led some students to regard the current regulations as mere hypocrisy. Although the members of the college council differ on the final value of current arrangements, we feel that the growth of such an attitude is detrimental to the general well being of the college and that a reasonable system of supervision will alleviate this difficulty."

In order to establish a "reasonable system of supervision," the Council recommended to the Budget Committee of the College that money be alloted to provide for sign-in desks in every dormitory and the manning of such desks during all parietal hour periods.

Debate Team

Debating the topic "resolved that executive control of the United States Foreign Policy should be significantly curtailed," the Middlebury debate team has won recognition twenty-five times since the beginning of the year. The record stands as follows: three firsts, two seconds, two fourths, one best affirmative side, two second best affirmatives and fifteen individual awards.

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The Compromise

Item: After disposing with the Senate's parietal request, the Council voted to create the student-faculty group that will study and report on "the 'co-ed dormitory plan' and related matters." This co-ed dorm plan is a product of the secret meeting between the students and the faculty members on the council (the deans did not attend for fear of stifling discussion.) At that meeting 24-hour parietals were extensively discussed along with various other "alternate arrangements.

Among the latter was Russell Leng's proposal that one or two co-educational dormitories be established (co-ed by floor, that is) and that juniors and seniors be allowed to live in them with parental permission only. Freshmen, Sophomores and those upperclassmen without permissive parents would be restricted to "single-sex" dorms with "strictly enforced" parietal hours not to exceed those presently in existence (noon to 1.)

Within the co-ed dorm, there would be 24-hour parietals; outsiders and students from dorms with restricted hours would apparently be denied entrance to "opposite-sex" floors after 1 a.m.

Leng's proposal was hailed by Stearns as one that would provide a significant "choice of life-styles." According to the minutes of the Feb. 14, College Council meeting, Stearns also noted that "the faculty and students had generally agreed on this kind of proposal for it offers to the students a variation in options of patterns of living and because it seems to begin to deal with some of the problems of minority interest and social pressure."

Actually, a co-ed set-up of this sort does no such thing; it instead discriminates according to class and parental disposition, and creates a problem of majority interests by continuing to impose the present parietal system on all but the lucky few who gain admittance to the co-ed dorm.

Somehow, this co-ed dorm "alternative" became the central focus of the College Council's study. Instead of creating a committee to find out more about 24-hour parietals — the logical move for a group that just rejected them for lack of "sufficient information" — the Council has created one that will probably concentrate on a co-ed dorm compromise and treat "open dorms" only as a "related matter." The students on the Council, however, were assured by the other members that the issue of 24-hour parietals is by no means settled "forever." Just for the forseeable future, that's all.

The Mistake

Item: As well as forming the committee, the College Council's resolution also reaffirmed the principles of the current parietal system — and stated its intention to begin enforcing it. The last paragraph of the resolution includes a specific recommendation to the College Budget Committee asking for "appropriate allocations" to ensure that "a reasonable system of supervision of open hours can be established.

According to Dean O'Brien this means that the present sign-in procedure, which is rightly enough ignored in most men's dorms, will be backed up by student monitors who will be paid to see to it that residents and their guests sign-in and sign-out every time they use their noon-1 a.m. parietal privileges.

The College Council, it seems, is very disturbed by the fact that students regard the current social regulations as "mere hypocrisy." It feels that "the growth of such an attitude is detrimental to the general well-being of the college." Thus its "law and order" campaign will apparently begin as soon as the necessary money is made available. (The price, by the way, will not be cheap; the college spent $22,000 alone for house duty costs last year.)

While Karla Baehr, for one, did express reservations about this section of the Council's resolution, some student members have been most helpful in proposing to the administration various means of enforcing "sign-ins." As was reported in last week's **Campus** editorial, "right to privacy," one student senator recently told the council that the sign-up existed for the exclusive purpose of reaffirming one's responsibility in obeying parietal rules and was, in addition, a good method by which concerned individuals could check and make sure that all guests leave at the close of the parietal hours.

Speaking about the College Council resolution after Monday's Senate meeting, Bill Starns insisted that there was evidence that people are being "hurt" by the present social rules. There is also evidence that many people will be hurt — and angered — by any administration attempt to enforce these rules with a "reasonable system" of manned sign-in desks.

The appointment of student monitors is a grade-school device to keep the kiddies under control whenever the teacher leaves the room. Apparently there are some administrators, faculty members, and even high-placed students who think it can work on the college level as well.

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The actions of both Deans constitute an anachronistic example of the evils of the in loco parentis policy. The Student Senate has censured both Deans for thir illegal actions.

Cannon Fergus Thripplethwaite was noted for his punctilious observance.

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fighting the Department of the Interior's decision to allow the Disney Corporation to build a multi-million dollar recreational complex in California's Storm King Valley — thereby carving up a significant tract of virgin wilderness and putting a four-lane access highway through the Sequoia National Park.

What else has Hickel done since he became Secretary? In addition to bungling the Santa Barbara oil leak crisis by delaying the order that restrained the Union Oil Company from further drilling, he has appointed James G. Watt as a $98-a-day special consultant for his department. James G. Watt is a former lobbyist for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and various other organized business interests, including the petroleum industry.

Last year he lobbied against legislation that would have tightened federal control over industrial water pollution and permitted federal intervention in the reclamation of lands devastated by strip mining. All in all, a good man to have around the Department of Interior.

(Next week: More on Volpe, Mayo, Kennedy, Blount, and other Nixon appointees.)

College Lands

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lots, which are roadfront properties, are prime building lots. In fact, when the town heard that the college planned to buy the properties, new sewer systems were built to these areas.

The college, on the other hand, maintains that they are not building lots — one parcel, for example, is planned to be developed into an athletic field this Spring.

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Where We're At- Baby

The students of Middlebury College are being fooled, confused, hoodwinked, ignored by the administration, by many of the faculty and more often than we like to think by our own leaders.

When it comes to taking part in the governing of the college community student leaders are patronized, student ideas are ignored, student organizations are scoffed at. The fault, of course, lies mostly with the students themselves. Few are concerned enough with how their curriculum is structured, how decisions are made about their faculty, how their rights are protected, how their lives are controlled to do anything about these things.

But even the few who are willing to cope with the frustration and condescension because they refuse to abandon their belief that the students' point of view is to the school, are stifled. Students do not help draw up plans; they are fed to them predigested. Students do not participate in the formulation of policy; they apply their rubber stamp. Students do not have a hand in college action; they are informed or misinformed through channels.

Read the articles on the violation of student rights, on the deceitful smoke screen thrown up around the restructuring of the French Department, on the secretive dealings with parietals. These stories were not dredged up by the **Campus**, they were brought to our attention by outraged students and faculty members who object to having the wool pulled over their eyes.

The Student Senate has expressed its dissapproval over the way students' rights are trampled on with impunity. Tomorrow Senate leaders are going to confront the Dean of Men and Women, in the College Council, or so they say. We wonder how many students know that they are barred from this meeting because their presence might inhibit the free expression of the members. Presumably, senators are banned, too — not that one has ever tried to go. Show up tomorrow and see how your rights are protected if you can get in.

You might want to know how your senate leaders express your ideas on parietals. But you can't know this, because the special meeting on parietals was closed, and the press denied any information about the proceedings.

You might also want to know something about how the faculty runs the department you are a major in but, of course you can't, because faculty meetings are closed to you.

You might also be interested to hear faculty and administrators in their best patronizing manner with arch expressions all around wondering by what strange logic students can reason that they serve a place of responsibility in the forming of school policy when they deny ROTC that right. After all where do students find the gall to think that they might have more stake in the school and more to offer it than an ROTC pawn controlled by the army. That's where we're at in the eyes of faculty and administrators, fellow students. Why a letter should be written to the **Campus** about this one, faculty member chortled. Write that letter, we can't wait to get it.

Student leaders have worked hard this year, but the cards are stacked against them. In order to get the education we want, in order to protect themselves from injustice all concerned students must slice through the rhetoric, the ready made patterns imposed on our thinking. We must start doing our own painstaking and imaginative thinking for our own sake and Middlebury's.

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Departure of French Departm

Editorial Opinion:

Last week the campus printed a short article on the surprising departure of all but two of the French department this year. It has sparked a series of claims and counter-claims about its validity. The facts as we printed them were communicated to our reporter by Dean of the Faculty, Paul Cubeta. At the same time as he told us "the facts" which as it turned out are untrue, he recommended that we drop the article and replace it in a couple of weeks with a "more positive" one on the new appointments rather than the dismissals or retirements. We apologize for the consequently misleading article. We feel sure, however, that our readers recognize that we are in large part dependent upon those persons in authority who make the decisions concerning basic college policies for accurate data concerning those decisions; if those persons wish to misrepresent the facts there is usually no way we can show that this has been done.

Miss Trease's article, as well as the two letters from members of the French department, is a response to last week's article. It raises some interesting points about the relations of students to the appointment and dismissal of faculty as well as the rights of the faculty in general. Does the apparent high-handedness and political conniving of certain members of the administration in effect limit the academic freedom of the individual faculty member, whether he be on tenure or no? (A tenured faculty member can always be demoted, or his salary cut.) The late date (three weeks ago) at which one member of the French department learned of the decision not to renew the present contract has rendered it impossible for that person to get an appointment elsewhere next year. This situation is not new at Middl

Political manuevering within istration has resulted in several and dismissals. We are witness to whose merits are at best question of faculty who are both highly r outstanding individuals. We are situations in which, if a faculty r ion, it is confidential since it may of the administration or even hi bers; and this it is intimated w less secure.

The very nature of this prob cific examples be omitted from tions, it is feared, would be jeop standard enough thought and tha usually available to most students Yet for the sake of expediency i specifics are unfounded.

Last year (among the twenty- who left for one reason and anot fessors Guarnaccia and Osuna. T from reliable faculty sources, (wh be not mentioned since they fear reaction), that Guarnaccia, who from retirement, had become so administrative politicing that he cut, to take up a new position, tho no apparent or legal reason for hi stood that Osuna, a very compe counts, would take over as head in one way or another he learne for some (unexplained) reason

Student Opinion: A French Major Reviews The P

By NANCY TREASE

The rather drastic changes in the French Department faculty described in last week's **Campus** did not come as a total shock to most students involved, despite the fact that this was the first official notification that actually reached us. The Krouchis expressed some time ago their decision to return to France next year and it was generally known that M. Bourcier would be leaving for a year at least to take care of the Graduate School in France. What was shocking about the article was, first, the treatment of the departure of seven out of nine members of the department as one surprising coincidence, and second, the description of "the concerns of the French majors" as "ranging from rumors of a punitive mass firing to the Chateau's alleged future plight as a complex of gym lockers."

The French majors, and other people who will be affected by this change in the department (such as Chateau residents) do indeed have very real and vital concerns and they are nothing like the ones mentioned. Majors, juniors in particular, are concerned about taking Comprehensive Examinations with a faculty that is totally new. Mr. Watkins will of course be returning, but since he teaches exclusively upper-level courses, many present juniors who did not receive Advanced Placement in French were taking the prerequisite of French 25 as sophomores and are only acquainted with Mr. Watkins by sight or reputation. The reverse, of course, is even more true. I personally have not overheard any rumors of a "punitive mass firing," but as a French major and a Chateau resident have heard a great deal of worry over this radical changeover in faculty and consider it justified.

Many French majors have also expressed personal disappointment at the loss of M. Bourcier, not only as an educator with an incredible wealth of knowledge but as a talented actor and philosopher and a very vital human being. Many students who feel that they have profited from the high quality programs instituted by M. Bourcier, regret his departure and hope that his influence will last as long as the reputation that he has established for the department. Of course with so many of the present faculty leaving at the same time, it is improbable that the method of teaching French for which Middlebury is best known can be successfully carried on.

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That similar manuevering has been responsible for the demise of other fine teachers is well known. This consideration represents a serious problem not only for faculty but also for students. If, as it appears and as has been admitted by Dean Cubeta, the appointment and granting of tenure and dismissal of faculty is often arbitrary, and also apparently dependent upon a certain non-academic rapport between certain faculty members and certain other administrators, then the quality of the instruction that the student receives is also dependent upon arbitrary and personally motivated decisions. Certainly this was part of the problem in the controversy over the decision not to rehire Mr. Carrol last year.

The Administration tactic of turning the energies of faculty against faculty in a low backbiting political scramble and of students against students in all the various committees, reviewing boards and so on has so far resulted in the obscuring of relations between faculty, students and administration. This, of course, is to the benefit of the latter, who, in all fairness probably believe that they are more qualified to make decisions and, therefore, make decisions in the best interests of the College as a whole. We must not disregard, however, the fact that by controlling the information that we receive as was done last week they further strenghthen their position and emasculate that of the student and faculty organizations with which they deal.

If the faculty and students would give up their sectionalized self-defeating attitudes and conventions perhaps some of the apparent injustices and wrong decisions could be redressed.

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Letters From French Dept.

To the Editor:

I was very surprised to learn by your article entitled "French Department to depart en masse, rumors denied" that I "have chosen to continue my post-graduate studies rather than return to Middlebury next year." So far as I know this is not the case. I am not returning to Middlebury for two reasons. First of all, I was appointed to teach in the French Department late last summer and was not given any assurance that I could stay here more than one year. Secondly, and this seems to be the main reason, I was told upon my last interview with Dean Cubeta that I was not reappointed, because I do not hold a doctorate degree. But I have not made any plans to return to graduate school next year.

Victor Zynszajn
Instructor
French Department

To the Editor:

I would like to add some precision to your article, "French Dept. to Depart En Masse, Rumors Denied," in the **Campus** of Thursday, Feb. 20, 1969: it is true that my wife and I will not be returning to Middlebury next year, but not because our visas have expired! You can always extend or change your visa: Mr. and Mrs. Vadon stayed five years at Middlebury! The truth is much simpler: we want, we have chosen to go back to Paris and we have said so for a long time.

Would you be so kind as to publish this correction in the forthcoming issue of the **Campus.**

J. Krouchi

ine Performa nce of Mozart's Impressario

Photo by Paletti

A scene from the Opera Workshop production of Mozart's Impressario as adapted by George Hitchcock. Nan Krumm as the aging but nevertheless ebullient Madame Herz is here addressed by the Impressario (Robert Levy). Mr. Vogelsang (Andrew Streit) is a spontaneous 'off the cuff' performance, and the 'charmed' Antoinette Silkerklang (Marjorie Balgooyen) look on.

Addison Hall added a noteworthy prescence and command as Buff to the lively and rewarding performance. Other selections on the program included a Trio from Beethoven's Fidelio, sung by Michael Schutt, and Misses Krumm and Balgooyen, and The Duet "O Black Swan" from Menotti's "The Medium" sung by Alison Cady and Nancy Tillinghast. The performers delivered their roles with grace and distinction.

Mrs. Barbara Woellhaf, who directs the Opera Workshop was ably assisted by Susan Graves at the Piano.

Nix on Tricky Dick's Sick Picks

By STEVE EARLY

Ever wonder what kind of people Tricky Dick Nixon has brought with him to Washington for the next four years?

In addition to obvious atrocities like Spiro Agnew, Goldwaterite Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird, millionaire defense contractor David Packard, and Wally (no "conservation for conservation's sake") Hickel, there are a number of other Nixon cabinet and sub-cabinet appointments that continue to shock and amaze.

Laird, Packard and Hickel, of course, got the most publicity. And no wonder why.

1. LAIRD

As well as chairing the committee that wrote Goldwater's 1964 campaign platform, Melvin Laird published a book in 1962 that was actually a blueprint for that platform. In "Strategy Gap: A House Divided" he advocates, among other hardline measures, the staging of pre-

Melvin "Bombs Away" Laird

emptive strikes — "limited nuclear reprisals" — against the Soviet Union if the Soviets ever encroach on Western territories and "the Soviet peril point rises beyond its tolerable limit."

This is just the sort of nuclear bomb rattling that American voters overwhelming rejected as too dangerous when they chose Johnson instead of Goldwater. Now they have Laird.

The same man who is currently reviewing with Nixon the Sentinal ABM system and advising the President on such matters as when to start arms control talks with the Soviets, also wrote:

> **"On the day that the Soviet Union feels there is indeed a balance of power, nuclear war will become not only thinkable but in all likelihood inevitable, and that should the Soviet Union begin to approach real nuclear parity, we could not win a nuclear war but the Communists would."**

While Nixon and Laird continue to throw around meaningless terms like "superiority" and sufficiency," the U. S. and the Soviet Union are rapidly approaching parity in the number of Inter - Continental Ballistic Missiles each has stockpiled and deployed. As I. F. Stone asks in the Jan. 27 issue of his Washington weekly, "Does Laird still think such a balance of power makes nuclear war likely, and does he still think the Communists — by some magic formula — can win a nuclear war when we cannot?" If so, we will be hearing much more about "bargaining from a position of strength" and the need for bigger and better missiles.

2. PACKARD

The choice of David Packard as Laird's Deputy Secretary of Defense is an example of Nixon's incredible audacity and, in the words of **The New Republic**, "an offense against every tenet of public decency." This is not to demean Packard's competence or his personal honesty; his administrative abilities are probably very impressive — after all, he does own a controlling share of stock in his own company, Hewlett-Packard Electronics, worth $300 million.

Rather, the Packard appointment is offensive because Packard personifies the military-industrial complex. At the Pentagon, even after placing his stock in trust and resigning his numerous trustee and directorships, he remains enmeshed in the interlocking institutional relationships of the military establishment and the corporate lobbyists of the plane and missile industries.

A third of Hewlett-Packard's sales ($280 million a year) of electronic instruments is to the armed services and other defense contractors. Packard himself is a former member of the board of directors at General Dynamics which built, for several billion government dollars, the faulty F-111 fighter bomber (its wings fell off when it flew). As Deputy Secretary, he will be making decisions and awarding contracts that will directly effect the fortunes of his former competitors and former colleagues at Hewlett-Packard, General Dynamics and elsewhere in the defense industry.

> **"What it comes to," concluded** The New Republic, **is that a man, however talented and motivated, with such a background and such ties should not have been designated for the job."**

3. HICKEL

In Walter Hickel, the new Secretary of the Interior, Nixon came up with a man even more willing and able to put his foot in his mouth than Spiro Agnew. That may seem impossible, especially after a national campaign studded with Agnewisms (Sample: "If you've seen one slum you've seen them all"), but it is true. Besides his now-famous no-conservation-for-conservation's sake gaffe, Hickel has also observed that "A tree looking at a tree really doesn't do anything" and "If you set water standards so high, you might hinder industrial development."

This latter reflection is perhaps particularly indicative of his thinking: "When there is a conflict, as there very often is, between 'people' (meaning, in most cases, 'industry') and resources, Hickel is people oriented. Clean water does not take priority over thriving business. Trees are subordinate to tourists." **(New Republic, Jan. 18.)**

As head of the Interior Department Hickel is supposed to be the nation's chief conservationist, its most vigorous protector of natural resources and national park lands. The record shows that he too has rather

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Cadet Skaters Cut Close Midd Robbed Once More

By NAT AYER

With only CMR and Hamilton remaining to be met, the hockey team has still failed to pick up victories consistantly. Last Friday, during the Winter Carnival, they lost a close one to Norwich, again by 4-3 in overtime. Middlebury skated well on the new ice laid down by the young Husky ice machine, but for all their efforts, Norwich was able to beat them on the scoreboard.

No goals were marked during the first twenty minutes, though both teams had wonderful opportunities. A Norwich player walked in on Neil Sharkey alone, but hit the cross bar. Dave Norton slithered by a defenseman and fired a low quick shot, but their goalie came up with the save.

Although the Cadets were far outshot in the second period, they picked up three goals, by Tait, Hunt, and Verge. The Panthers were hustling well, and controlled the puck well in the offensive zone. But Norwich also pressed forcefully. Middlebury's forwards were not able to pick up their wings quickly enough and the Cadets frequently broke out of their zone without interference.

Middlebury stormed back in the third to tie the game up, finally tallying on the shots they had missed earlier. Larry Dixon, who got two points, scored the first at 7:20, on a slap shot that deflected off a Norwich player. Two minutes later Rick Kelly broke around the defense and found the low corner to close the gap. At 11:15 Dave Pierson collected a pass from Peter Montori (who played a fine game) and fired a snap shot from the point. In the remaining seven minutes neither team could come up with the winner, and the game went into overtime.

Norwich got a break when a Panther received a penalty, and at 3:00 they won the game. The goal was "tragically lucky" according to Ralph Sexton. He related how the puck was shot from outside the blueline, and hit Pierson's skate blade to deflect by Sharkey. He continued to say that the Cadet goalie was the only reason Norwich stayed in the game. He was great, but Norwich was not outplayed as badly as they were in the previous meeting of the two clubs.

Sharkey made 25 stops, while Smelstor was peppered with 51, many of them robbing Panthers of sure goals. The varsity's record now stands at 7-13.

Freshmen: Hockey Falls Courtmen Aim At Record

The freshman skaters drastically switched their style of play a week ago Wednesday when they fought hard but lost to Norwich 4-2. The team played with aggressiveness not seen since the UVM game. This was a particularly frustrating defeat, for the Panthers were hoping for their first victory of the season.

The first line of Mike Terwilliger between Bill Everett and Nay Ayer (who switched places with Bill Shepardson who started at defense), combined with the defensive force of Moore Newell, Shepardson, and Mark Nyvall, managed to keep at least equal pressure on the Plebes. The second line of Peter Temple, Mason Brown, and Nibs Whipple supported admirably, but the combined efforts of everyone were not enough to keep Norwich from scoring, even with Sals Adams in the nets. They put in four, and although the Panthers seemed to be building up momentum with Ayer's two goals in the third period, Norwich held their lead to give the freshmen their present 0-9 record.

Frosh Hoopsters Seek RPI Win

The surprisingly good freshman basketball team has a chance to become the first of the same to have two winning seasons in a row, if they overcome undefeated RPI this Saturday. Their record after the 78-54 loss to UVM last Monday stands at an even 5-5.

The Panthers' severest problem the other evening was poor shooting, according to Coach Joe Morrone. They were behind the entire game, but showed the "exceptionally good spirit" they have exhibited all winter.

Among the top individual achievements, Bob Scheider leads the team in scoring with a total of 156 points, Bob Koop next with 137, followed by Rick Dowd with 103. Koop has usd his 6'8" height to excell in rebounds, along with 6'3" cornerman Scheider, and he also leads in field goals. Rick Dowd maintains the highest free throw percentage, while Paul Savoth assists the most. Their wins include Norwich twice, Johnson State JV's and Williams once.

Indians Rout Midd. Skiers Women Finish Victorious

By MIKE WELEBIT

Middlebury was again edged out by Dartmouth in the final day of Carnival competition, despite some fine individual performances by Panther skiers. The marginal lead that Middlebury had built up on Friday was wiped out Saturday as a result of a strong team placing by Dartmouth in the jumping event.

On Friday, the men's Giant Slalom and the women's Slalom were held under ideal spring skiing conditions. In the Men's G. S. the season long rivalry between Rick Lounsbury of Dartmouth and Paul "Rat" Reed of Middlebury was renewed. A fairly open course was set on the Ross, with some gates, however, at mid-course that gave a few racers some problems. After the first run, Reed was in first place by two-tenths of a second, with Lounsbury in second place. The second run provided the large crowd of spectators with an awesome display of racers pulling out all stops. Lounsbury was the sixth runner on the second run and started off by exploding out of the starting gate, and then running back on his heels the rest of the way down, letting his skis catapult him from one gate to the next, never off his edges, taking every bump with perfect pre-jumps; and finally skating through many of the gates to gain every last hundredth of a second's advantage. Reed, in the eighth starting position, attacked the course in much the same fashion and was headed for another excellent run when about half way down the steep pitch he missed a prejump. It took him two gates to regain his rhythm. The "Rat" still managed to pull out a good time, but not good enough to win him first place honors. Lounsbury edged him out by two tenths of a second in the combined timings. Reed's second place finish was backed up by the fine efforts of other Panthers: Mike Raymaley, third place; Steve Smith in tenth place; Soph, Tom Giebink in twelfth spot; and Fin Gunderson in twenty-second place.

Raymaley races to third place finish. Photo by Braun

The women's Slalom, which was held on the bottom of the Allen, was fairly uneventful. Many Janss, one of Middlebury's own, finished in first spot, followed in fifth place by the freshman sensation Cindy Wright. Sylvia Lamson (12th), and Pam Reed (33rd) rounded out the picture for Middlebury and provided enough points for them to win. It must be added that in the first race Pam Reed finished 2 seconds ahead of the field, a truly remarkable feat on slalom course. Her poor finish was due to a fall in the second place.

In the men's cross country, Middlebury had a strong team showing, although Ev Dunklee, from UNH, took first place honors. Terry Morse and Joe McNulty of Middlebury placed third and fourth, respectively, while Dave Nelson placed fifteenth and Avery Caldwell placed thirteenth. In this event, Dartmouth was a distant fifth in the team standings.

In the Men's slalom on Saturday, Dartmouth took the team honors, with Harvard edging out Middlebury for second place. Charles Bent of Dartmouth finished first, with Lounsbury in second, while Steve Smith in third place made by far the best showing by a Panther.

Peggy Drury from McGill won the Women's G. S. which was held on the Proctor. The best showing by a Middlebury girl was Jane Hough's ninth place. Middlebury's undistinguished team showing in this event was good enough, however, to gain them the overall women's team victory.

In the jumping event, Scott Berry in first place led a strong Dartmouth team effort which placed five in the first twelve. Bruce McLaughry, a freshman, and also the highest placed Panther in fourth, had the longest jump of the day (185 ft.) His first jumps, however, were not far enough nor executed well enough to back up his excellent single effort which was the result of McLaughery's breaking out of his flying attitude at the last possible moment of prepare to land. In addition to the great effort put out by McLaughery, in spite of some broken ribs which haven't totally healed, Dave Nelson managed to jump well enough to place fifth in the Nordic combined.

Although Middlebury was edged out by Dartmouth for Carnival honors, many spectators felt that this was the finest Middlebury Carnival they can remember in a long time.

Basketball Bombed By Vermont Crumble In 82-46 Massacre

By STEVE THOMAS

Buckling under the pressure of an incredibly heavy late season schedule the Middlebury Panthers basketball team proved unequal to the test of seven games in twelve days. After trouncing Norwich 80-68 in action a week ago yesterday, Middlebury lost to K. C. Jones' Brandeis hoopsters 79-73 last Friday and lost to Vermont 82-46 last Monday night.

The victory over Norwich is most notable as it gave Middlebury at least a tie for second place in the mythical state series and left open, until last Monday, the possibility of taking all of the marbles.

Middlebury opened the first half against Vermont by winning the tip and immediately employed a four-corner stall offense. In what was apparently an attempt to rattle Art Loche's Catamounts and to wait for Middlebury's normally "hot" second half, the Panthers consistently refused to make more than veiled moves toward the basket.

The stall was more than effective both in keeping the score down (at 12:39 the score read UVM 4, Midd 1) and in fulfilling collegiate basketball's requirements for penetrating toward the basket every thirty seconds. And were it not for their extraordinarily cool shooting hands the Panthers would have gone into the locker rooms leading at the half. Unforunately the first half ended with Vermont leading 22-12.

For a brief five minutes Middlebury returned with hot hands in the second half, whittling Vermont's lead to 7 points. But then Vermont turned the tables: Middlebury went cold and Vermont went wild. High man for Middlebury was Jimmy Keyes with ten, followed by Jon Torrant and Lee Cantmill with seven.

By DAVE BREEN

A panel of hockey experts convened this weekend to select the 1968-1969 Intramural All-Star Hockey squad and, after tedious consultation of statistics and debate, the honored few were agreed upon.

First team goalie is Eric Anderson of ASP who, despite sometimes inconsistent team help, allowed only four goals all season. The first line is Andy Power of Chi Psi, the league's leading scorer with 13 goals and 3 assists, and team - mate Rick Morris (All-Bush for the third year) and Bo Wheeler of Sig Ep, both with 15 points on the season.

Sophomore defenseman Dave Fox of Slug and senior Tom Harrington of DU round out the squad. Goalie Greg Lewis of DU, allowing four goals on the season also, leads the second team. Fourth leading scorer C. O. Conners of Slug, Team-mate Jim Hand, and Dave Bahnson of Sig Ep make up the second line, assisted by Sig Ep Defensemen Steve Washburn and Dale Goddard.

The championship is decided on points, 6 for a victory, and 3 for a tie, which puts Chi Psi (7-1-0) in a tie with Slug (6-1-2) for the lead, while DU is undefeated but 3 points behind (6-0-1) due to opportunity to play fewer games. The point system will make the winner of the DU-Chi Psi game this week the overall champion, and a discrepancy between that and the percentage system can occur only if there is a tie.

In noteworthy basketball action, Zeta Psi crushed DU 54-26 with surprising ease in a game marked by fast breaks, good shooting and fine refereeing.

Guards John Stevenson and Chuck Davis hit 18 and 16 for ZPTL to put them in a four-way tie for the league lead with TC, DTO, and DU (who should be tougher with the return of Barry Metayer and Jack Freshman from their winter term project.)

Brown U. Chaplain To Speak Sunday

Dr. Charles A. Baldwin, Chaplain of Brown University since 1958, will be guest preacher in Mead Chapel Sunday morning, March 2 at eleven o'clock. A graduate of Illinois College and Yale Divinity School, Chaplain Baldwin has been active in community organizations, having served on the boards of the Urban League of Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, and the Rhode Island Council of Churches. He is also a member of the Advisory Committee of Citizens United for Fair Housing in Rhode Island.

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Parietals

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were fully clothed and if they were in bed together. The student described Peterson's attitud as one of moral indignation.

Peterson told the student to come back the next day after making a decision as to how he wished his case handled.

The student returned the next day, Wednesday and told Peterson that he had been informed that his dormitory council was responsible for trying him. Peterson asked the student to return again the following day to tell him of the dormitory council's decision.

The dormitory council heard the case Wednesday evening and voted to suspend the student's parietal privileges for two weeks.

Thursday the student saw Peterson for the third time and informed him of the dorm council's decision. Peterson indicated that he considered the ruling too lenient and would have imposed a stiffer penalty, perhaps suspension from school.

The second incident occurred at approximately 3:30 Wednesday afternoon during parietal hours when a house mother, Mrs. Morse and Supervisor of Custodial Personnel George Commins entered a room in Battel North. In the room they found a male student clad only in his underwear.

Dean of Women Elizabeth Kelly called in the girl living in the room and voiced her disapproval of the "indecent" circumstances of the visit. She told the student that she would inform the parents of the problem. The student requested that she be allowed to contact her mother first. The student called her mother.

Thursday the dormitory council heard the case, and ruled that no school rules had been broken, but decided that the student should apologize to Mrs. Morse.

The student's mother spoke to Mrs. Kelly Monday. The student left for a short vacation Monday at Dean Kelly's suggestion.

Daddy high?

College Land

By KEVIN DUNN

Middlebury College, the landlord of the Skihaus and the Middlebury Inn, owns 940 acres in Middlebury primarily to protect itself from non-College construction adjacent to the 113 acre campus.

According to Business Manager James D. Ross, the College fears construction of an apartment house, factory or the proposed Route 30 bypass on nearby lands.

Revenue from the College's land holdings is slight, Ross said. The rent on land just west of the campus pays for the taxes on the land; even the Snow Bowl does little better than break even. Insulation, not revenue, seems to be the goal of the College's expansion policy.

Actually, the College's Middlebury acreage amounts to less than half of its 2,788 acres spread out among neighboring towns:

The college's holdings in the mountains are no longer a really critical part of the land. Though there is much acreage, it is mostly undeveloped woodland. At one time, the college owned nearly 30,000 acres in the mountains, which it sold later to the National Forest Service. (The proceeds from the sale were used to build the appropriately named Forest Hall.)

The large tracts of land were bequeathed to Middlebury by the 19th century conservationist John Battell, provided that the land be left in its natural state — the only improvements he would allow were trails through the woods. (The term "trail," incidentally, was interpreted to include ski trails when the Snow Bowl was built.)

But the most interesting land parcels are here in the valley. Middlebury College owns several lots in downtown Middlebury.

The college-owned home of Dean of Women Elizabeth B. Kelly is the subject of a tax dispute between the village and the College. The town wants to raise the assessmnt from $3,250 to $27,292. The College, on the other hand, claims that the Kelly home is used for receptions and student gatherings; thus the home would be part of an educational institution and accordingly tax-exempt.

Another tax dispute involves two land parcels acquired in 1966. The two lots were formerly assessed at a total of $1,986. After the college bought them, the assessment rose to a total of $28,638.

The town claimed that the

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French Faculty

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matter of choice.

One of the major complaints that I have heard from French majors has been this remarkable lack of clarity to no apparent purpose. If the possession of a PhD has been a factor in the shaping of the French Department, then it has certainly not escaped the notice of many people — faculty, students and outside observers — that this has been a trend at Middlebury for some years past, one that has had undeniably excellent results in the Departments of Russian and German. It is also in line with the criticism frequently made outside the French Department that the department is too autonomous and not well co-ordinated with the college as a whole. The substitution of faculty holding American doctorates for native speakers who lack this degree would certainly do a great deal towards reducing the independence of this segment of the school, which occasionally makes it less than compatible with the rest of the departments. Whether this pattern will also produce a better education in French is a more debatable question, **but one that is clearly not open to debate at this time.**

The article published on this subject in last week's **Campus** seemed to be a simple and concise summary of the situation. I would argue that it was a little too simple. Majors in the French Department should have

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College Lands

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Middlebury and Cornwall (see map), is the next logical place for the school to build new facilities. There is concern, however, that expansion in that direction would tend to destroy the atmosphere of the small campus.

It is especially advantageous for the college to keep land in the town of Middlebury; there is a town ordinance which states that any land owned by the college prior to 1941 will not be assessed above the 1941 level.

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unusual qualifications for the job:

"As governor of Alaska, Hickel could not meet the deadline imposed by the Federal Water Quality Act of 1966 to set clear water standards for the state. He won an extension but was not able to meet the second deadline either. He was not disposed to stop the dumping of ammonia and oil into Cook Inlet, the dumping into Alaskan water of sawdust from mills, oil from tankers, minerals from mines. The standard finally agreed to in 1968 has been continually breached.

"Hickel, who will be custodian of Indian rights, last year led a successful attempt to prevent a small Eskimo co-op from selling salmon to a Japanese concern at higher prices than it could domestically, while at the same time he favored sale of oil to Japan. The Department of Agriculture, OEO, and the state Community Action Program all had attempted to aid the Eskimos in their effort to get out of poverty (annual incomes $200). Hickel foiled their plan; the native salmon catch of nearly 9,000 pounds went to rot." (New Republic, Jan. 18.)

The beaches of Santa Barbara not withstanding, oil and the oil industry were also of personal interest to Hickel before he came to Interior. He says he never had a financial interest in oil; true, he only had a financial interest in the oil-related gas-pipeline industry.

Most frightening of all for true conservationists is Hickel's apparent attitude toward national park lands. At his first press conference, he revealed that he favored "multiple use" of park land. This means opening up some of the national parks for development as grazing, hunting, skiing, and mining areas instead of preserving them in their natural state.

Hickeland

Someone will probably inform Hickel before long that this is illegal; only national forests, which fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture, can be used for limited private and industrial development. Nevertheless, Hickel's ignorance and predisposition have serious implications, particularly for those groups currently

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